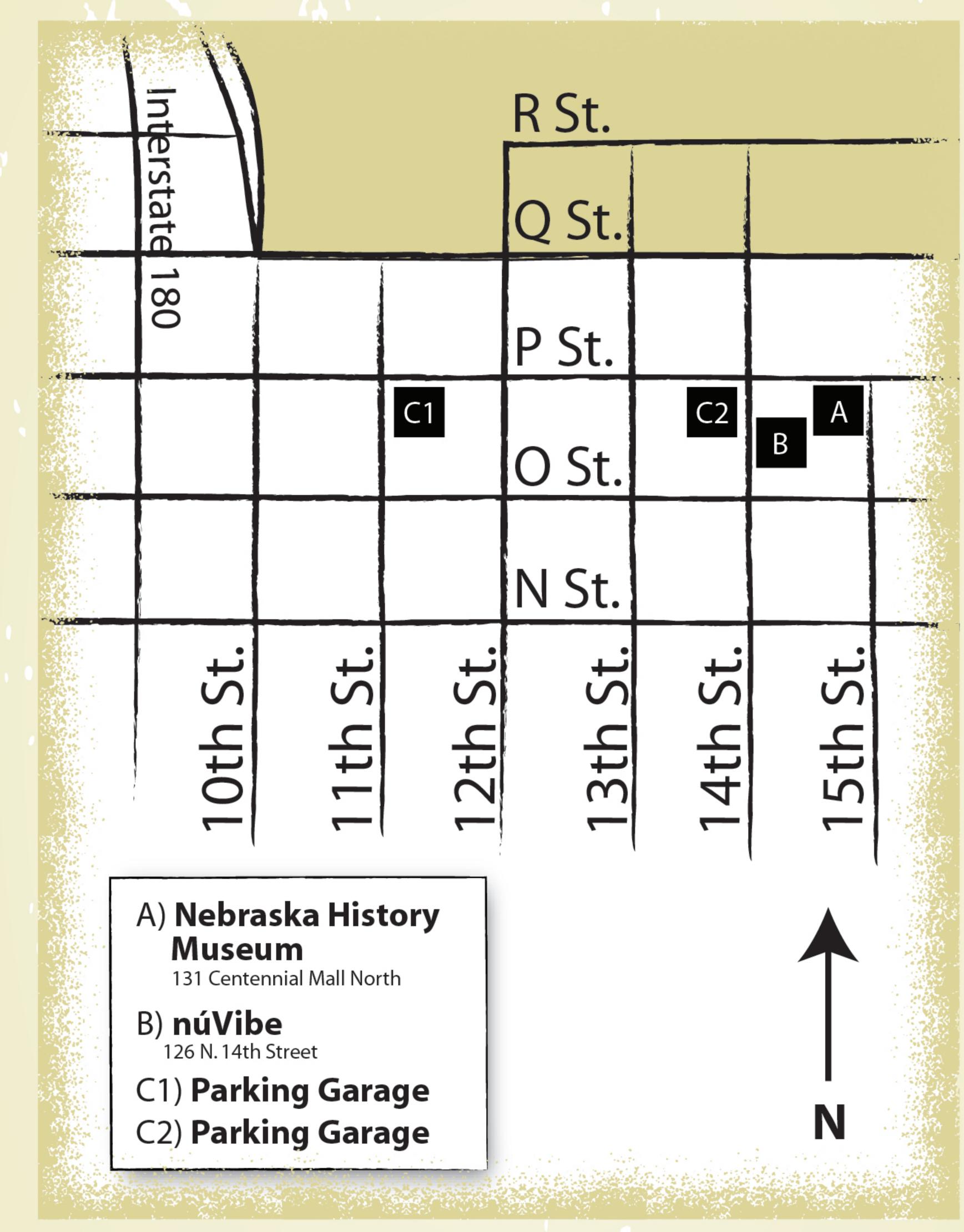
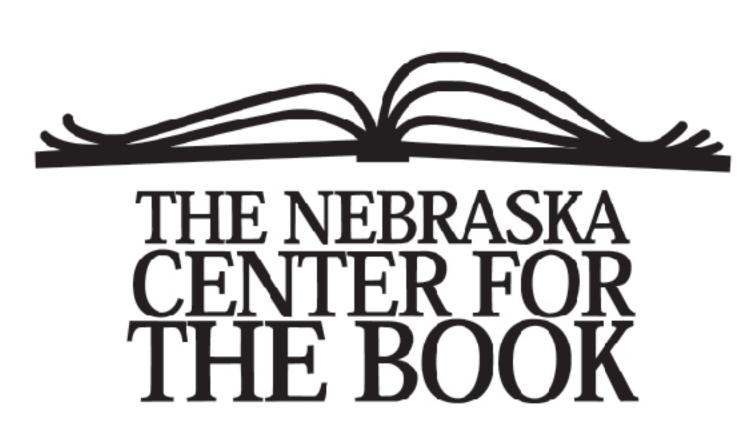
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Sue Baumann

Sue Bauman (aka Laura Landon) enjoyed ten years as a high school music teacher and nine years making sundaes and malts in her very own ice cream shop, but once she penned her first novel, she closed up shop to spend every free minute writing. Since she started writing, she's written more than a dozen Victorian historicals. Her dream of being published became a reality n 2010, when she saw three of her novels achieve publication. She lives in a small Nebraska town and stays busy penning new stories and getting more novels ready for publication in 2011. Sue will read from and discuss her 2010 works.

Christopher Cartmill

Playwright, actor, and director, Christopher Cartmill teaches at the Gallatin School of Individualized Study at New York University. His plays have earned awards from the Kennedy Center, Chicago's Joseph Jefferson Committee, and the Los Angeles Drama-Logues. Nebraska's Lied Center for the Performing Arts commissioned Christopher to write a play about Chief Standing Bear, and the experience of writing this play, titled Home Land, became the solo performance and memoir The Nebraska Dispatches (University of Nebraska Press). He will read from and discuss his 2010 work.

Marilyn June Coffey

Marilyn June Coffey is a best-selling, national prize-winning, internationally published author of poetry and prose. Her "Pricksong" won a Pushcart Prize, *Atlantic Monthly* featured her *Great Plains Patchwork: A* Memoir on its cover. Called a prose stylist, Marilyn trained as journalist (B.A., University of Nebraska, 1959) and creative writer (M.F.A., Brooklyn College, 1981). Her work has appeared in Australia, Canada, Denmark, England, India, and Japan. Her latest book, *Mail-Order Kid* (a best-selleron Amazon and Kindle) is a biography of an orphan-train rider. Already it's considered a classic. Marilyn will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

Ted Kooser

Ted Kooser, a two-time U.S. Poet Laureate (2004-2006), received his bachelor's degree from Iowa State University and his master's degree in English from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is the author of 12 collectins of poetry, including *Delights & Shadows*, which won the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry. His other honors include two National Endowment for the Arts fellowships, a Pushcart Prize, and the Stanley Kunitz Prize from Columbia University. He teaches in the English department of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln as a Presidential Professor. Ted will read from his 2010 book for children and participate in the Keynote Panel.

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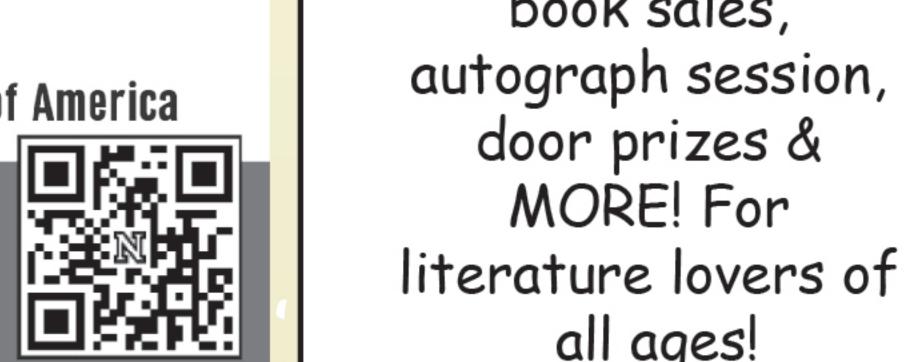
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Desmond LaVelle is a longtime advertising copywriter. In his experience, he found that billboards and bus benches were rarely big enough to tell really great stories. While crafting Super Bowl commercials and Sunday circulars, LaVelle began writing his literary debut, *Thirteen Cats LaVelle*. LaVelle grew up in Omaha, Nebraska and studied journalism at the University of Kansas. He moved to Chicago immediately after graduation and, after a short decade spent riding the elevated train, traveled west to Sausalito. A Midwesterner at heart, living in beautiful California gave him an overwhelming feeling of guilt. He currently resides in Chicago. Again. He will read from his 2010 work.

Sarah McKinstry-Brown

Winner of the Academy of American Poets Prize, Sarah McKinstry-Brown studied poetry at the University of New Mexico, the University of Sheffield, England, and the University of Nebraska. In 2004, she won the Blue Light Poetry Prize for her collection When You Are Born and has since been published everywhere from West Virginia;s standardized tests to Omaha bus benches. Sarah recieved her MFA in Poetry at the University of Nebraska, and her creative thesis, *CradIng Monsoons*, won the 2010 Blue Light Book Award. She lives in Omaha with her husband, the poet Matt Mason, and their two beautiful, feisty daughters. Sarah will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

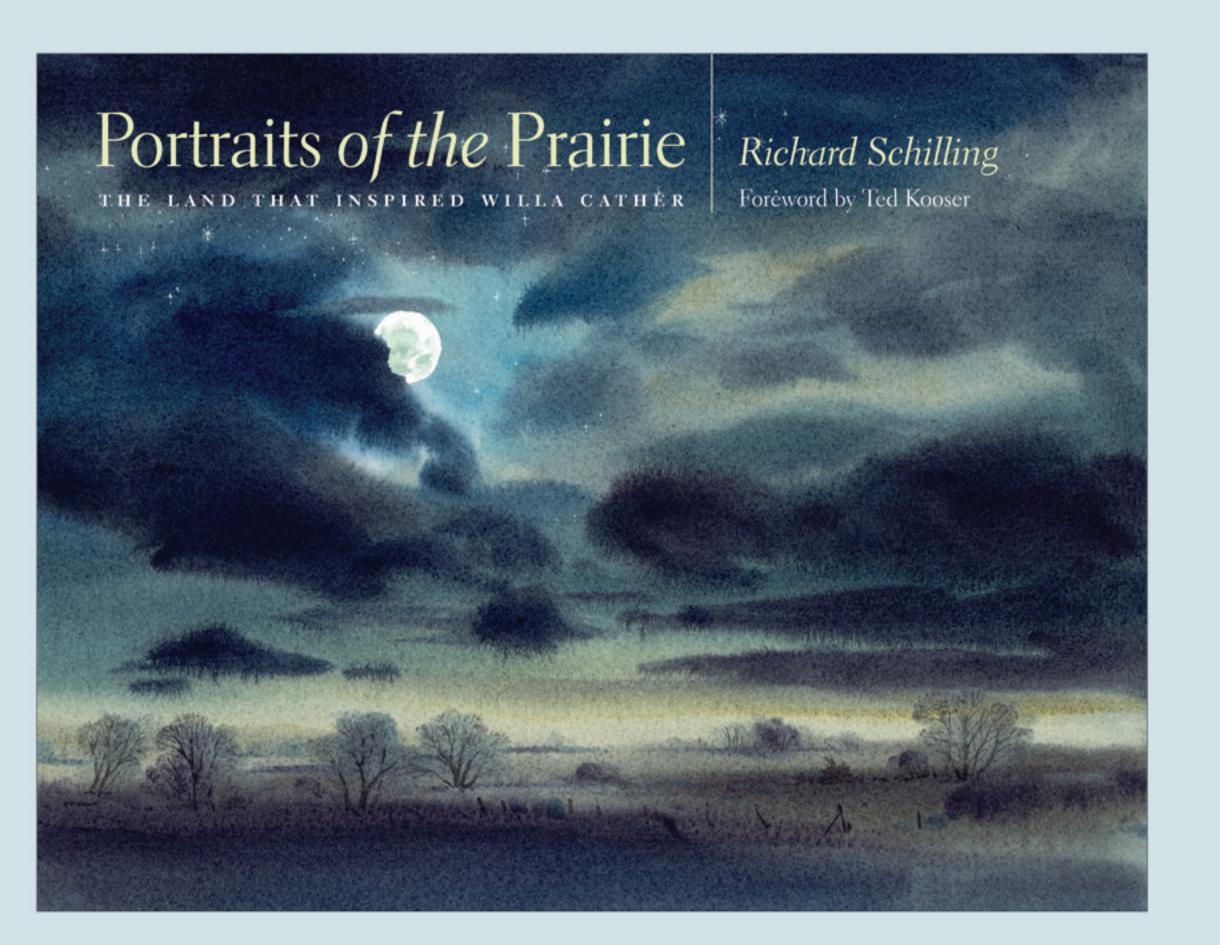
Jim Reese

Jim Reese is an Associate Professor of Englsh; Director of the Great Plains Writers' Tour at Mount Marty College in Yankton, South Dakota; and Editor-in-Chief of PADDLEFISH. Reese's poetry ande prose have been widley published, most recently in New York Quarterly, Poetry East, Prairie Schooner, Paterson Literary Review, Louisiana Literature Review, Connecticut Review, and elsewhere. His Pulitzer Prize nminated poetry collection, *ghost on 3rd* (New York Quarterly Books 2010), is riddled with love, latent violence, humor and prison life. Reese has been the National Endowment for the Arts' Writer-in-Residence at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp since 2008. He will facilitate a writers' workshop and will read from and discuss his 2010 work.

Marjorie Saiser

Marjorie Saiser was named Distinguished Artist in Poetry in 2009 by the Nebraska Arts Council. Her awards include the Little Blue Stem Award, the Nebraska Book Award, the Literary Heritage Award, and the Vreelands Award. Her poems have been published in Prairie Schooner, Field, Georgia Review, Cimarron Review, CrazyHorse, Cream City Review, and have been featured on "The Writer's Almanac" and Ted Kooser's "American Life in Poetry." Marjorie will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

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Roy Scheele

Roy Scheele is a poet who has been published in *The Sewanee Review, Poetry Northwest, Poetry, Prairie* Schooner, Commonweal, and many other places. He has published profiles of/interviews with Gwendolyn Brooks, Hayden Carruth, W.R. Moses, Susan Starr Richards and W.D. Snodgrass in *Poets & Writers, Verse,* and other magazines. He is Professor of English, poet-in-residence, and director of creative writing at Doane College in Crete, Nebraska. Roy will read from and discuss his 2010 work.

Barbara Schmitz

Barbara Schmitz is the author of *How Much Our Dancing Has Improved* (The Backwaters Press), which won the 2005 Nebraska Center for the Book Award for poetry, and *How to Get Out of the Body* (Sandhills Press). Her poem "Uniforms" appeared in *South Dakota Review* and will be featured in Ted Kooser's newspaper column "American Life in Poetry." Barbara was Writer-in-Residence at the Mabel Dodge Luhan House in Taos, NM, and won a Nebraska Arts Council Award in 1997. She has received Emeritus Status from Northeast Communty College, where she taught creative writing, literature and coordinated the Visiting Writers Series for thirty years. Barbara will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

James Solheim

A poet and children's book author, James Solheim won the Academy of American Poets Prize as a student at the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop. His new book for children, Born Yesterday, received starred reviews from *Publisher's Weekly* and *Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books,* which chose it as one of the year's ten best picture books. His work has appeared in many literary magazines and won a Pushcart Prize. He's also the author of the children's books *It's Disgusting* — and *We Ate It!* from Simon & Schuster. James will read from and discuss his 2010 work.

Mary Helen Stefaniak

Mary Helen Stefaniak's second novel, *The Cailiffs of Baghdad, Georgia* (W.W. Norton), has been awarded a 2011 Anisfield-Wolf Book Award for Fiction. *The Cailiffs of Baghdad, Georgia* was also selected by independent booksellers as an Indie-Next "Great Read" in September 2010. Mary Helen's first novel, *The Turk and My* Mother, won the 2005 John Gardner Book Award and has been translated into several languages. Her first book, Self Storage and Other Stories, received the Banta Award for Literary Excellence from the Wisconsin Library Association. She is an Associate Professor of English/Creative Writing at Creighton University in Omaha. She will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

Wendy Townley

Wendy Townley (@wtownley on Twitter) is an author, blgger, and award-winning writer whose first book, Nerdy Thirty, was published in 2010 by WriteLife. She fancies social media, handwritten correspondence, NPR, and the Macintosh. Townley earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 2002, and will graduate this year with a master's degree in communication, also from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Visit www.wendytownley.com and www.nerdythirdy.com to learn more. Wendy will read from and discuss her 2010 work.

Willa Cather Foundation

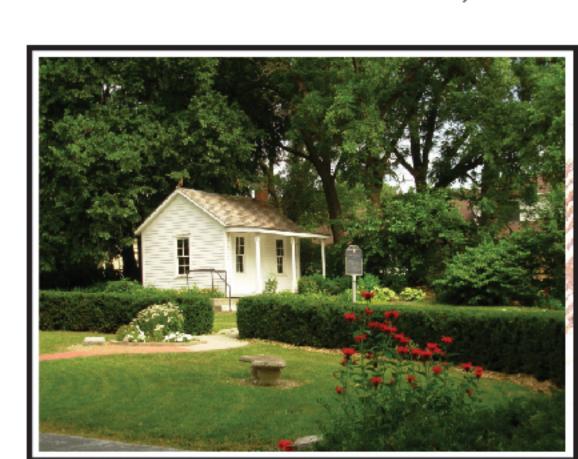
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WRITING WORKSHOPS LED BY:

Timothy Schaffert

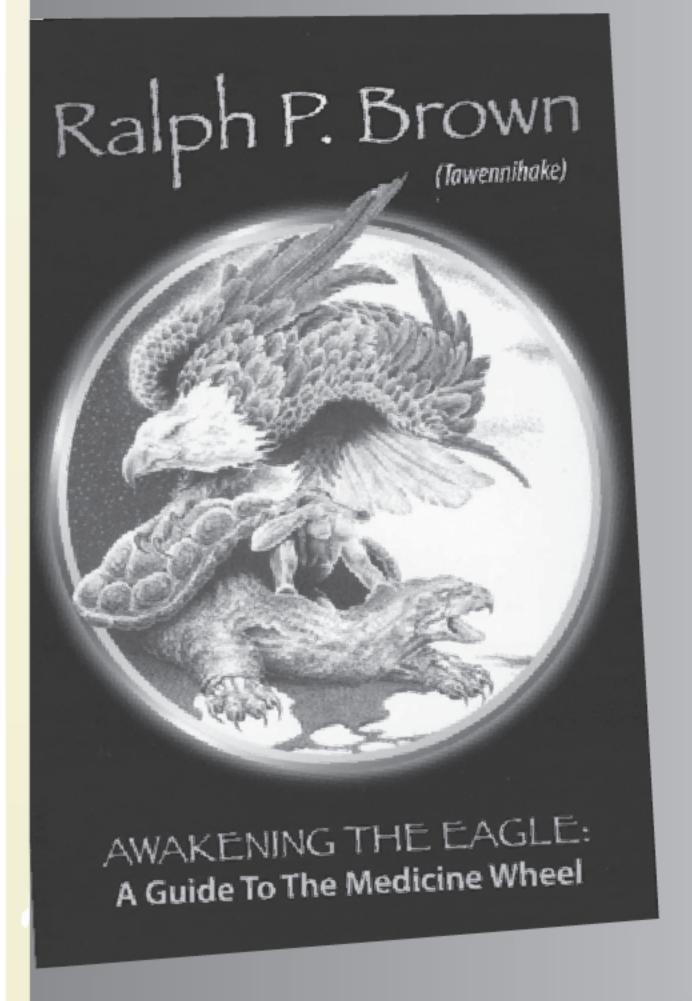
Timothy Schaffert is the author of four novels, most recently *The Coffins of Little Hope*. His work has been a Barnes and Noble Discover Great News Writers selection, a New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice, and an Indie Next "Great Reads" pick from the American Booksellers Association. He teaches careative writing and literature at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, directs the Nebraska Summer Writers' Conference, and serves as digital development editor for *Prairie Schooner*, a literary journal. He is also the director/founder of the (downtown) Omaha lit fest. He is a writers' workshop facilitator.





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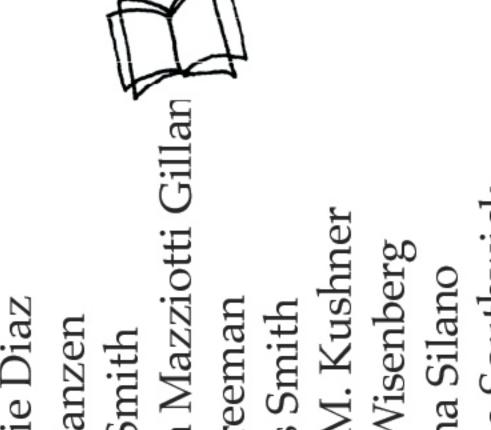


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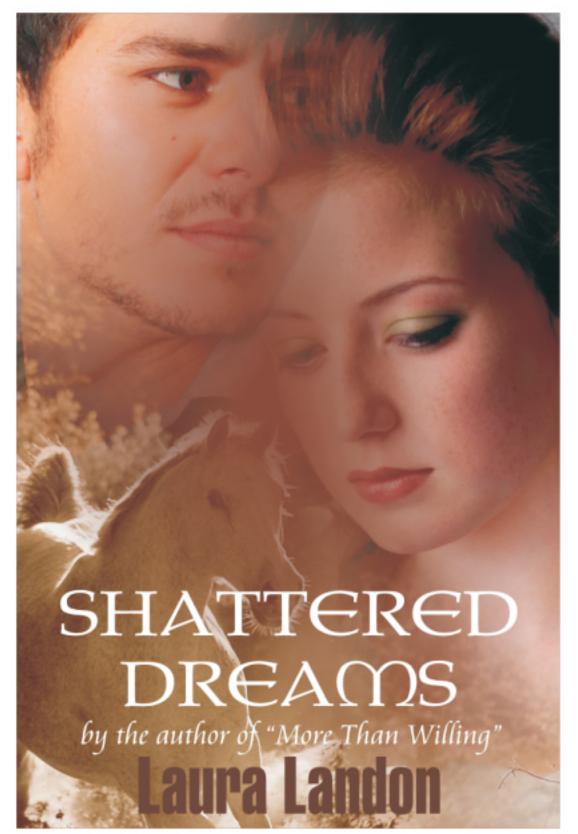
Matt Mason received his MA in English from the Creative Writing Workshop at the University of California at Davis in 1994, then returned to Omaha, where he works to promote public poetry readings and poetry readers as executive director of the Nebraska Writers Collective and through PoetryMenu.com, an online listing of poetry events. Matt's first book of poetry, *Things We Don't Know, We Don't Know,* won the 2007 Nebraska Book Award for Poetry and was a Contemporary Poetry Best Seller. He runs the monthly poetry slam and pen mic at the Omaha Healing Arts Center and was on 5 poetry slam teams at the National Poetry Slam. Matt has helped with poetry events for bookstores, high schools, junior highs, colleges, libraries in the U.S. as well as in Nepal and Belarus thrugh the U.S. State Department. He is a writers' workshop facilitator and coordinator for the morning activities at the Nebraska Book Festival.

Dwaine Spieker

Dwaine Spieker teaches British Literature, Composition, and Creative Writing at Wayne High School in Wayne, Nebraska. After growing up on a farm outside Elgin, Nebraska, at the eastern edge of the sandhills, he attended the University of Nebraska at Kearney, graduating in 1997. In 2001, he received his Master of Arts in English from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln, and more recently has been the recipient of the Nebraska Book Award for Poetry for *Garden of Stars*. He is a writers' workshop facilitator

Jeff Lacey

Jeff Lacey completed his bachelor's degree in philosophy and English at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, and his master's degree in English at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. Recently, his poetry has appeared in publicatins such as *The Hiram Review, Nebraska Life Magazine, Christianity and Literature,* and *The 2011 Nebraska Poet's Calendar*. He was the editor for *The Loren Eisely Reader Teacher's Guide*. A writing teacher who lives in Ralston, Nebraska, Jeff helps direct the Omaha Metro Area High School Poetry Festival, and has presented at numerous poetry workshops. His first book of poetry, *Keep Going,* will be published this year. He is a writers' workshop facilitator..



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11:00	(10:15 a.m 12:15 p.m.)		Nebraska Writers Collective at newriters.org		
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11:30		Reader # 3 - Reader # 4 (11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.)			
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12:30 p.m.	Lunch on your own				

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